

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## **MINUTES**

# March 10, 2010

Members Present: Lo

Louise Howard (Chairman), Alexis Cooke, Amy Dowdle, Debra

Ludas (Vice-Chair), Durward Matheny, and Scott Wagner

**Members Absent:** 

Thomas Neal and Johanna Trotter

**Staff Present:** 

Agnes Wanman (Planner)

**Guests Present:** 

Vanessa Misciagna, John Hearn, and Chris Kaeberlein

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm by the Chair.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 10, 2010 meeting were approved unanimously.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Durward Matheny, the new Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's report. Currently, we have \$3,770.85 in our bank balance. Our two CDs will come due for renewal in May and August. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Vanessa Misciagna is a journalism student attending a public meeting as part of her school work. John Hearn asked us to consider two houses for the Christmas Historic Home Tour, the Mackie-Lake House on North Main Street and the George Washington Paschal House on Durham Road. This house is now empty but family member, Dr. George Paschal is in the area and son, John Paschal, lives in DC.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update on Proposed Zoning Text Amendments covering PODS and Exempting Historic Buildings from Prohibition on Rebuilding after Destruction: Agnes Wanman reported that the proposed changes went to public hearing at the March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Planning Board. Both were recommended for approval. The Board of Commissioners will then make a decision at their March meeting on March 16.
- **B.** Priorities for Review Exercise: The HPC discussed priorities for review during an exercise that required them to focus on priorities in the case of potential historic review on a limited basis. The exercise included a list of 16 items plus the capability of adding additional ones. The group was asked to come up with a list of 5 that would be considered the most important. The five selected were parking areas, architectural style (which would include roof shape), exterior arrangement and proportion (which included size, scale, and height of the building), roof and building materials, and lighting.
- C. Christmas Historic Home Tour: Some potential houses for the tour were discussed. A mailing will be sent out asking people to volunteer their homes.
- D. Other: None.

### **NEW BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Review of Potential Long Term Activities: Agnes Wanman presented a list of potential long term historic preservation goals or activities. The HPC will review them and send her their comments.
- B. Other: None

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Howard, Chairman

Agnes W. Wanman, Secretary